

DATE & PLACE	TYPE ACFT	HIGH INT?	MAJCOM & MISHAP WING	# EARLY REL.	SYNOPSIS/STATUS
22 April 02  Near Dobbins ARB, GA	F-22A	NO	AFMC  Contractor Test Facility	NO	<p><b>FACTS:</b> Mishap aircraft (MA) began a delivery sortie out of Dobbins ARB GA. The mishap pilot (MP) led escort F-15s around the VFR traffic pattern to perform an airborne pickup of a KC-135 tanker for the delivery flight to Edwards AFB CA. The MA struck a bird just prior to completing a right-hand turn, burned down fuel and made uneventful straight-in landing back at Dobbins ARB. The bird struck the right side of the fuselage and entered the right engine. Damage estimate is \$2.5M-\$3.0M.</p> <p><b>STATUS:</b> <u>Abbreviated SIB and AIB convened. SIB in progress.</u></p>